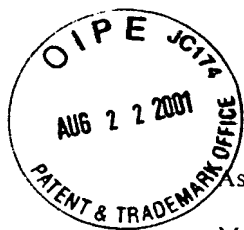


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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

Plastic stretching method and apparatus for use in vacuum forming techniques
the specification of which

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and was amended under PCT Article 19 on _____

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35 United States Code 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least once country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign / PCT Application(s)

Application No	Country/PCT	Day/Month Year Filed	Priority Claimed
9828820.2	United Kingdom	31 December 1998	Yes
9925486.4	United Kingdom	28 October 1999	Yes
PCT/GB99/04391	PCT	30 December 1999	No

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